Matt Claman-Democrat-House District 21

Residence Address:

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Age: 55

Place of Birth: Boston, Massachusetts

Name of Spouse: Lisa Rieger

Children's Names: Maia, Benjamin

Occupation: Attorney, Wilderness Guide

Length of Residency in Alaska: 26

Alaskan communities lived in:

Anchorage (1990–present) Juneau (1988-1989)

Education:

University of Texas School of Law (JD, 1987) Colorado College (BA History, 1981) National Outdoor Leadership School (1979)

Political and Government Positions:

Acting Mayor, Municipality of Anchorage (2009)
Assembly Member, Municipality of Anchorage (2007-2010), Chair (2008)
Board of Governors, Alaska Bar Association (2002-2008), President (2007-2008)
Heritage Land Bank Advisory Commission (2005-2007), Chair (2006-2007)

Business and Professional Positions:

Counsel to the Firm, Lane Powell (2007-present) Owner, Claman Law Firm (1992-1993; 1996-2006) Law Clerk, Federal District Judge Harry Lee Hudspeth (1987-1988)

Service Organizations Membership:

Board of Directors, Anchorage Rotary Club (2013-present) Served on the Board of Directors of five religious and non-profit organizations.

Special Interests:

Family, boating, bicycling, skiing, hiking, cooking, playing the trumpet, running, woodworking, and photography.

Other (Biographical Information Only):

Emergency Medical Technician (1993-present)

Came to Alaska at 21 to work in a mining camp.

Construction worker, cook, telephone systems analyst, textile mill worker, mail clerk, and camp counselor.

Statement:

Alaskans want government that works with our families and businesses to make sure Alaska is a great State to live, work, and raise a family. In my experience as Acting Mayor, Assembly Member, community volunteer, husband, father, and son, I have learned that we're at our best when we work together for better government. Now, more than ever, we must find common sense, bipartisan solutions that work for Alaska.

Visiting with friends and neighbors, going door to door, I hear again and again that Alaskans want an end to partisan politics and want their elected representatives to put Alaska first. And the people of West Anchorage want a trustworthy representative who shares their values and listens to their concerns.

Thomas Jefferson said it best: "Government is best which governs least." As your elected representative, I will look to the Alaska Constitution because it reflects the values that we share: the right to equal opportunity, the right to privacy, the right to public education, the right to be treated fairly, the right to impartial courts, and the right to be secure in our homes and ourselves.

My priorities include:

- Quality Education: Our Best Investment
- Fiscal Responsibility: Living within Our Means
- Public Safety: Government's First Priority

As a legislator, remembering Abraham Lincoln, my pledge is to make sure our government is "of the people, by the people, and for the people." Working together, Alaska's best days are ahead!

I would be honored to have your vote.

